Statement-II

List of MPs yet to be Nominated in TACs in Gujarat Telecom Circle

Sl. No.	Name of M.P.	Constituency	Name of TAC
	MPs from LOK SABHA	Sabarkantha	
	S/Shri	Kapdyanj	
1.	Smt. A. Nisa Choudhary	Anand	
2.	Jai Singh M. Chauhan	Broach	
3.	Ishvarbhai Chavda	Chhota Udaipur	
4.	Chandubhai Deshmukh		
5.	N.J. Rathawa		
	MPs. from RAJYA SABHA		
6.	Yogender K. Alagh		
7.	Brahma Kumar Bhatt		
8.	Aantray Devshanker Dave		
9.	Smt. Anandiben Jethabhai Patel		
10.	Chimanbhai Haribhai Shukla		
11.	Madhav Sinh Solanki		

Revival of NTC Mills in Tirupati

*7. SHRI K.M. SAIFULLAH:
DR. Y. LAKSHMI PRASAD:

Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state:

(a) Whether Government's attention has been drawn to the news item appearing in the Deccan Chronicle dated the 19th May, 1997 regarding "NTC mills in Tirupati gathering dust";

(b) if so, the facts thereof; and

(c) the action taken to revive NTC Mills in Tirupati?

THE MINISTER OF TEXTILES (SHRI R. L. JALAPPA): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) and (c) Tirupati Cotton Mills, Renigunta, a unit of NTC (APKK&M) Ltd. Bangalore has not been functioning from December, 1996 due to shortage of working capital.

NTC (APKK&M) including Tirupati Cotton Mills was referred to and declared sick by the BIFR. On the basis of the report prepared by the Operating Agency, the BIFR published draft rehabilitation scheme, asking for certain reliefs and concessions from the Government. The last hearing of BIFR which was scheduled to be held in April, 1997 was postponed. Pending approval of the revival scheme by the BIFR, Government has been releasing funds to NTC for payment of wages and salaries to the employees of the mills. A mill-wise viability study has also been undertaken by the NTC, which is under the consideration of the Government.

Local call facility on MTNL Mumbai to MOHOWE

*8. PROF. RAM KAPSE: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have received a communication requesting for extending the Local Call facility of MTNL (Mumbai) to MOHOWE and surrounding areas of Kalyan Municipal Corporation jurisdiction in Maharashtra;

(b) if so, the present status of the request; and

(c) by when the decision is expected to be taken?

THE MINISTER OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI BENI PRASAD VARMA): (a) Yes, Sir. The name of the place is Mohone.

(b) Sir, Mohone and its surrounding areas under Kalyan Municipal Corporation's jurisdiction are presently being served from Ulhasnagar telephone exchange due to technical constraints. A separate telephone exchange has been planned for catering to this area. The new exchange will have 3 minute interdialling facility with Mumbai at par with other exchanges in Kalyan Municipal Corporation's jurisdiction.

(c) It is expected to be commissioned by March, 1998.

Post Offices in Rural Areas of Gujarat

*9. SHRI ANANTRAY DEVSHANKER DAVE: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) the number of Post Offices functioning in rural areas of Gujarat;

(b) the number of villages in the State where post office facilities are not provided; and

(c) the number of representations received by Government for opening of Post Offices in villages of the State and the action taken by Government thereon so far?

THE MINISTER OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI BENI PRASAD VARMA): (a) The number of post offices functioning in rural areas of Gujarat is 8142.

(b) There are 9922 villages where no post office has been provided. However, postal facilities are being made available to such villages from near by post offices.

(c) The number of representations received by Government for opening of Post Offices in villages of the State is 7. Only one proposal out of these was found justified on the basis of norms and the same is being processed.

Ban on Sale of Lotteries

*10. SHRI SOLIPETA RAMACHANDRA REDDY: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether a delegation of MPs has sought urgent measures for a country-wide ban on sale of lotteries; and

(b) if so, the action taken thereon?

THE MINISTER OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI INDRAJIT GUPTA): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The matter is under consideration of the Government.

Foreign Contributions Received by NGOs

*11. SHRI K. RAHMAN KHAN: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the total remittances received in the country as foreign contributions by various NGOs in the country during last three years, year-wise;

(b) the names and the amount received from each of the countries;

(c) the names of the organisations and the amount received by each of the organisations and the country from where the contributions were received; and

(d) how many cases of misuse of foreign contributions were detected and